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# Editorial

### YET ANOTHER REASON

A new reason has been added to those already cited for safe driving on our highways. The gasoline rations now in effect are based on a fifteen mile per gallon average. The basic "A" coupon book provides a total of 240 miles of driving a month, at 15 miles per gallon. By careful driving and strict adherence by the new speed laws, many drivers are getting gratifying mileage. Drive carefully, and you may get as extra 50 miles of transportation per month!

### SHALL RUSSIA DIE?

The biggest problem facing the United States now is how to save Russia. Regardless of what we might have thought of Russia before the war, we now salute the Red Army and the Russian people for carrying a load such as few peoples in the long history of warfare have had to carry. Win, lose or draw, Russia has done her bit. American hearts go out to the Russian people in this decisive hour.

Russia is begging for a second front. If fifty German divisions are withdrawn from the Eastern front to meet a joint English-American invasion, it is reasonable to believe that the line of the Volga can be held, and this winter or next spring the Red Army can counterattack. If the Nazi army isn't forced to divide its great strength, in 1942, it is hard to see how the Russians can hold Hitler from oil, or even keep up the present stout resistance. And any day, Japan may attack Russia on the long Siberian front.

Thus a mighty decision faces our leaders. The outcome of the war is very possibly at stake.

The Times-Virginian takes the position that the decision on opening or not opening a second front now must be made by Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill, and that it is up to us to accept as correct whatever decision is made.

The lives of hundreds of thousands hinge on decision.

We have our own ideas of what should be done. But our ideas are immaterial. Unity behind our leaders is the greatest need in the United Nations. We have come a long way since Pearl Harbor, but are we ready yet? Too little and too late was a sad cry, but TOO LITTLE AND TOO SOON might be just as sad! On the Home Front we must WORK and SACRIFICE and be of good faith. If the decision is that the "blood bath" must be now, let us pray and tackle the task as bravely as have Americans have always gone into battle. If the decision is to wait until we are more adequately prepared, then let us speed the wheels of production, and pray that our Russian allies may somehow endure, and understand.

### YOU CAN SEE THE STARS

From Planters Press

"When it is dark enough, you can see the stars."

Do you feel downcast and disheartened? Do you feel that there is no ray of light on your horizon? That all is gloom, that the war and its attendant evils are too much to bear—that ahead there is nothing?

"When it is dark enough, you can see the stars."

Look around you. The lads you know have gone to war. Careless and thoughtless, you called them—but when their hour came they went with shoulders squared to courage and a gay tilt to their chins. They gave up cherished vanbition and went to face hardship, change, privation, even death. They are stars in the sky of your community.

Look around you. See how your neighbors have accepted the restrictions of war, uncomplaining and cheerful. Notice how gladly they do without those things which they thought were necessities: the housewife learning to make do, buying carefully and spending little, the businessman recegulating his business in order to do his part, the man who works with his hands putting aside his hard-won, long-sought standards of living to spread production, the farmer keeping everlastingly at back-breaking toil to raise the food for victory. Here are real stars in your sky.

Look around you. See how unified your community is today. Notice the new sense of being an active partner that has come over hitherto self-occupied citizens; how your fellow townsmen are joining in civilian defense, backing the United Service Organizations and the War bond drives, giving of themselves as well as of money. Here are stars in your sky.

Look around you. See the courage in time of trouble, the fellowship of sorrow, the brotherhood of disaster. Everywhere there is evidence of a growing selflessness, of greater neighborliness, an impatience with selfishness, a striving for the right. These are imperishable stars in your sky.

"When it is dark enough, you can see the stars." Look up and rejoice.

### GERMAN EFFICIENCY

The success the Germans have had in conquering the greater part of Europe is attributed to German efficiency. What is this efficiency, and how far can our people develop or exceed it?

Efficiency consists largely in thorough attention to all details of work. There are many hit or miss people, who think that if a thing is "about right" it is all right. The thing that is "about right" may neglect or omit some vital detail which makes the whole thing a failure. The Germans seem to have a gift for foreseeing future conditions, and preparing thoroughly in advance for meeting them. But the Germans are not supermen. Our soldiers proved superior to them when our men took such a large part in driving them out of France in 1918. The young German is brought up with a repressed mind. He is taught to bow down to a fanatical leader, and not to think for himself. It seems difficult to believe that a nation of such repressed minds can beat the resourceful and thinking Americans. —From Peninsula Enterprise.

### "THE EMPTY ROOM"

That is the caption of an advertisement—one of the most inspiring we have ever seen. The illustration shows a middle-aged man, standing alone and looking into a boy's bedroom. The text has him saying:

"This is my boy's room.

"This is where he slept.

"This is where he dreamed a child's dreams.

"This is where he saw a man's visions.

"Here, in this empty room, are faded pictures of teammates and heroes . . . books scribbled over with notes and exclamations . . . . the gloves and spike shoes we hung up for good before he went to war . . . the silver cup he won at Sea Bright . . . bright pennants . . . and all the careless memoranda, the echoes of his days.

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"If fathers could only pour their hate through the hot barrels of smoking guns and write the records of their grief with bayonet steel!

"They said I was too old to fight, though I'm only 50.

"But, if I'm too old to sight and drop a stick of bombs, I'm not too old to lay my money on the line for War Savings Stamps and Bonds!

"Maybe I am too stiff and slow to fly, but I've got control enough to keep my car speed under 40 . . . so they can keep their fighting planes above 400!

"And if I can't march 30 miles a day with a full pack, I can walk two miles to work and back to help save gas and rubber!

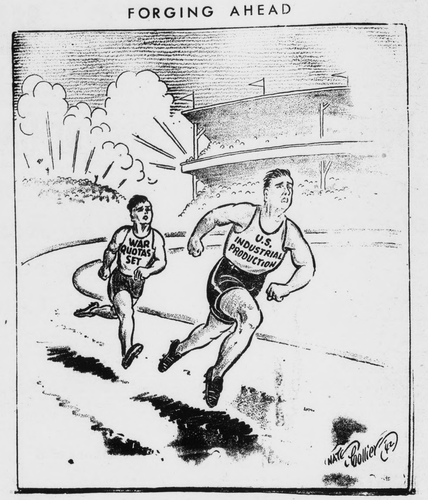
"No, I'm not bitter any more because I won't win this war behind a gun or on a ship or in the sky.

"I've come around to thinking that here at home we've got the job of passing ammunition along, of sacrificing little things, of giving up and going without, of looking ahead to 'less' instead of 'more.' Somebody's got to do the necessary, undramatic things . . . . and I guess that's what older men are for."

To the United States Rubber Co., which sponsors this advertisement, and to the artist and writer who prepared it (prepared by the Campbell-Ewald Company), our thanks. Through the door of an empty room they have given us a glimpse beyond the squabbling and striving for advantage, the petty arguments and futile back passing that sometimes seem to be the chief substance of our war effort here at home, into the real heart of America.

Campaign for scrap metal to be staged during August.

## FORGING AHEAD



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### IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D., Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

## Lesson for August 2

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**ABRAM: A PIONEER IN FAITH**

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 12:1-9; Hebrews 11:8-12

GOLDEN TEXT—Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward.—Genesis 15:1.

Without faith it is impossible to please God (Heb. 11:6). The opposite is also true, namely, that faith always pleases God. As we read the Bible and consider Christian experience, it is evident that God is constantly longing to show Himself strong in behalf of them who believe Him (II Chron. 16:9).

Abraham was not the first man to walk by faith. Before him came such men as Abel, with his acceptable sacrifice; Enoch, with his walk pleasing to God; Noah, who believed and obeyed; and others.

But Abraham was nonetheless a pioneer of faith. He had many other noble characteristics, and was a man of such distinction that his memory is venerated by Jews and Mohammedans as well as Christians. Yet his real claim to an outstanding place in history is that by faith he responded to God's sovereign act in choosing him to begin a new nation, to be His chosen people.

We note two important points about faith:

**I. Faith Makes Demands.**

In the very nature of things, faith calls for action consistent with belief. "Faith without works is dead" (James 2:20), that is, not a real faith at all. In Abraham's life (and in our life) faith calls for:

1. Separation (Gen. 12:1). "Get thee out" was God's command to Abraham. To accomplish His divine purpose God had to take him out of the heathendom of his fathers, and start anew. It is His command to His followers today, "Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord" (II Cor. 6:17).

Who will doubt that this is the crying need of the church today, for instead of the church being in the world seeking to win it to Christ, worldliness has come into the church and devitalized its message.

2. Obedience (Gen. 12:4-6; Heb. 11:8, 9).

"Abram departed, as the Lord had spoken" (v. 4). He didn't know where he was going, but he did know who had called him, and he went. Faith knows God, and obeys Him without hesitation and without reservation.

Obedience is a virtue that needs to be revived, in the home, in school, in society, and especially in our relation to God, for there surely should be no disobedient children in the family of God. He merits and expects obedience.

3. Trust (Gen. 12:7-9; Heb. 11:10).

An assured reliance on the Word of God is a part of faith. God made a promise to Abraham. He accepted it, and worshiped. Here was no questioning, no bargaining, but simple trust in God's word. In fact, there was anticipation of even greater things to come (Heb. 11:10).

We need men of vision and that means we need men who by faith can see the unseen, who can see "a city which hath foundations" even in the midst of destruction and disorder. "In God We Trust" must be more than a motto on our coins if America is to survive.

**II. Faith Brings Results.**

The world wants to know if a thing works before accepting and approving it. Well, faith really does work! It brings

1. Blessing (Gen. 12:2, 3).

God is always on the giving hand. "I will bless," was His word to Abraham, not only for Abraham himself and for the great nation of which he was to be the father, but to "all the families of the earth" (v. 3). How gloriously that promise was fulfilled in the coming of Christ our Redeemer, who also was a "son of Abraham" (Matt. 1:1).

2. Protection (Gen. 12:3).

"I will curse him that curseth thee." That promise to Abraham is still binding and valid. God is not through with Israel. The nations and persons who have vented their hatred upon the children of Abraham need to take notice.

We need to be reminded that God's protecting care is just as sure over us who bear His name. We too are "safe in Jehovah's keeping," even in what is perhaps the darkest hour in the history of the world. Faith in God brings to us the protection of His almighty hand.

3. Fulfillment of Promise (Heb. 11:11, 12).

The entire promise to Abraham hinged on the birth of a son, something which was, humanly speaking, beyond all possibility. But because Sara, joining Abraham in believing God, "judged him faithful who had promised," it came to pass.

"With God all things are possible" (Matt. 19:26). He delights in doing the impossible in response to the faith of His children. Apart from that fact we might be fearful, yes despondent, but "with God" we say again, "All things are possible."

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At the Court House, Appomattox, for cash all of the following described real estate; to-wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of real estate, with buildings and improvements thereon, lying and being in Clover Hill district of Appomattox County, Virginia, on both sides of U. S. Highway No. 460, being about 2 miles west of Pamplin, Virginia, adjoining the lands of the N. and W. Railway Co. lands, A. H. Clement Estate, Jim Harvey and others and being the same real estate that was conveyed to Lester M. Buckman and Rosa Buckman by Deed of record in the Clerk's Office in Deed Book No. 26 at page No. 428 and containing about 12 3-4 acres, more or less.

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### PERSONALS

We are glad to report that Charles Crawley, Jr. is improving from a recent illness.

Misses Dorothy Lee Johnson and Jackie Deaning, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with Mrs. Calvin Robinson.

Miss Mary Frances Cheatham spent the week-end at Charlotte C. H. with Miss Ann Early.

Mrs. W. K. Graves, of Bluefield, is visiting this week in the home of her brother, A. R. Harwood.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Doss and children, of Concord, Private Fred Grishaw and Private Kenneth Grishaw, of Fort George Meade, Maryland.

Privates Fred and Kenneth Grishaw of Fort George Meade, Md., spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Conner have received notice that their son, Sam Conner, has been transferred from the Royal Canadian Air Force to the United States Air Corps. Sam is a pilot. He had a fine record with a fine unit, but we're glad that henceforth he will fly under the Stars and Stripes.

Forest View, July 27.- The gardens and crops are looking much better after the nice rains we have had.

Mrs. Evie Ewers, of Lynchburg is spending this week with her father, T. H. Ford. His granddaughter, Miss Evelyn Jordan from Spring Mill is also spending a few days with him.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mayberry July 16, a boy, Joseph Dillard.

Mrs. A. D. Marshall spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Franklin Marshall near Appomattox, after Mrs. Marshall returned from the hospital.

Mrs. N. D. Mc...ll spent Last Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. J. A. Martin.

T. H. Ford and daughter, Mrs. Evie Ewers visited in the home of J. A. Martin Sunday evening.

Edward and James Mayberry are at home with their parents, after spending some time at work in Lexington.

Mrs. J. A. Martin called awhile Sunday afternoon to see Mrs. M. E. Pugh.

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